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In re application of:
Jane Elizabeth Weier, et al.
Serial No.: 09/944,289
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For: Functional Liquid-Solid Additive
Systems: Compositions,
Processes, and Products Thereof
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In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicants and their attorneys wish to make of record the following patents and patent references, copies of which are provided herewith, in connection with the above-identified application. The citation of the following patents and patent references should not be construed as an admission that any of them constitute statutory prior art relative to the present application.

U.S. Patents

3,864,432*	4,440,905*	5,534,594*
3,793,402*	4,469,825	5,599,854*
3,971,835*	4,539,361	5,726,259
4,040,996**	4,791,151	
4,385,152	5,276,092	

Foreign References

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European EP 1 033 390
French FR 2 309 569
German DE 197 26 802
German DE 197 41 778*
International WO 94/06876
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The above-listed patents and patent references that are designated with an asterisk (*) are discussed in the specification of the present application. The above-listed patents and patent references that are designated with a double asterisk (**) have been cited in a European Search Report issued in connection with applicants' corresponding European Application No. 01307440.6, filed August 31, 2001. A copy of the aforesaid European Search Report is enclosed herewith and provides an indication of the relevance of the patents and patent documents cited therein.

Applicants also take this opportunity to notify the Examiner of the existence of the following two co-pending, commonly assigned U.S. patent applications, which may be considered relevant to the present invention and copies of which are submitted herewith for the Examiner's convenience and consideration:

- (1) U.S. Serial No. 09/944,290
Entitled: High Solids Polymeric Additive Systems:
Compositions, Processes, and Products Thereof
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- (2) U.S. Serial No. 09/943,690
Entitled: Multiple Polymeric Additive Systems:
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It is noted that the remaining above-listed patents and patent references (i.e., which are not asterisked) are being cited, concurrently herewith, in connection with one or both of the above-listed two co-pending commonly assigned U.S. patent applications.

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